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R 181400Z MAY 77
FM AMEMBASSY AMMAN
TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS
SECSTATE WASHDC 1701

C O N F I D E N T I A L AMMAN 2837

E.O. 11652 GDS
TAGS: BGEN PINR SY
SUBJECT: SYRIAN GOVERNMENT ALLEGATION OF CIA CONNECTION WITH US
FIRM.

REF: DAMASCUS 3091

1. PER QUERY REFTEL SUTTON SAYS THAT NEITHER HE SCRAFFORD
NOR TELECONSULT HEADQUARTERS HAS ANY IDEAS AS TO CHANNEL BY
WHICH SYRIAN GOVERNMENT BECAME CONVINCED THAT SCRAFFORD AND
SUTTON WERE NOT ACCEPTABLE AS PROJECT PERSONNEL.

2. SUTTON SAID INFO FROM SARG POSITION WAS PASSED TO
TELCONSULTANT HEADQUARTERS INDIRECTLY ALLEGEDLY FROM SYRIAN
MINISTER OF PETROLEUM HIMSELF THROUGH ISBRAHIM SULEIMAN A
FORMER EMPLOYEE OF TELECONSULT. (FYI ONLY SUTTON PERSONALLY
DOES NOT DISCUSS POSSIBILITY THAT SULEIMAN MIGHT HAVE A
MALEVOLENT PURPOSE IN CAUSING PROBLEMS FOR TELECONSUL SINCE
HE WAS DISCHARGED(ALTHOUGH ON APPARENTLY AMICABLE TERMS) BY
TELCONSULT SIX MONTHS AGO. SULEIMAN IS RELATED TO A RETIRED
GENERAL IN THE SYRIAN ARMY BUT IS A NATURALIZED AMERICAN
CITIZEN HAVING LIVED MOST OF LAST SEVERAL YEARS IN
THE U.S.)

3. SUTTON MAY BE TRAVELING TO DAMASCUS ON SHORT TRIP
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MAY 19. EMBASSY GAVE HIM DCM PELLETRAUS NAME AND HE
SAID HE WOULD TRY TO MAKE CONTACT IF HE HAS TIME. IN
ANY CASE HE HAD NO OBJECTION TO EMBASSY RAISING MATTER
WITH SARG AND SAID HE PLANS TO DO SO HIMSELF WHEN HE
HAS AN OPPORTUNITY.
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